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Cromwell Advertisements

DAVID A. JOLLY & CO.

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL

FAMILY GROCERS

WINE, SPIRIT, AND GENERAL MERCHANTS.

We desire to intimate that in order to meet the growing exigencies of our business, we have lately built substantial stone additions to our former premises.
At the urgent request of our numerous customers, we have added to our other branches of business, that of

DRAPERY, CROCKERY, & IRONMONGERY.

We would further notify that, having engaged a Buyer in connection with our business to select special lines consigned from the Home and Melbourne markets, we will in future be in a position to offer such superior advantages to our customers as will not fail to ensure a continuance of their liberal patronage, and, more especially, will command the attention and confidence of the Trade, Runholders, and Large Buyers.

DAVID A. JOLLY & CO.

Our GROCERY STOCK comprises:

Tea, of excellent flavour, in chests, half-chests, and boxes	Candles: best brands
Coffees, from the pure bean, ground on the premises	Soap: treble crown, blue mottled, household, scented in bars, cakes, and boxes
Cocoa, Chocolate, of the best brands	Vestas, by approved makers
Sugars: crystals of every shade, and crushed loaf	Salt: table, fine, and coarse
Bacon, Cheese, Butter: weekly supplies from the best dairies	Raisins: Muscatels, Sultanias, and Elemes
Jams, Jellies, and Pickles	Oils: salad, castor, and kerosene
	Sauces: Lea and Perrins, Mushroom, Nabob, and assorted

TOBACCOS.

Imperial, Aromatic, cable-twist—superior	Water Lily, Over the Water, navy sixes
Cameron's celebrated brands—Havelock, Golden Bar, Venus tens	Cut Tobaccos, in pound, half-pound, and quarter-pound tins, and in bulk.
Barrett's Twist, in quarter-tierces and boxes.	

WINES AND SPIRITS.

Brandies: Hennessy's, Associated Vineyard, Martell's, in bulk and case	Moselle: No. 2
Whiskies: Old Glenury, Islay, Longjohn's, in bulk and case	Hock: Gold Leaf
Rum: Lemon Hart's	Ginger Wine, in bulk and case
Port: Fine old Offley's, six grape	Ales: Tennent's, Younger's, and Colonial.
Sherry: Gonzola, six diamond	Porter: Blood's, Byass's, Guinness's, and Colonial
Gin: JOKZ Geneva, Nectar, and Kummell	Cordials: assorted
Old Tom: Burnett's, Bernard's	Sarsaparilla: Singleton's, Townsend's
Claret: St. Julien's	Bitters: Selner's, Stoughton's

IRONMONGERY STOCK consists of

Blasting powder and fuse	Billies and pannikins
Gunpowder, caps, and shot	Tea-kettles, iron and tin
Long and short handled shovels	Galvanised iron buckets and tubs
Spades, sluice forks	Iron boilers
Picks and pickhandles	Enamelled and tinned stew and saucepans
Gold dishes, hose-pipes	Axes and axe-handles
Drills and drilling hammers	Nails, cut and wrought
Manilla and flax ropes	Tacks, clout and American cut
White lead, castor, boiled, and colza oils	Garden rakes, hoes, and spades
Galvanised and corrugated iron	Cutlery, a large assortment
Stoves and piping	Carpenters' tools of every description.

CANVAS, SADDLERY, AND BRUSHWARE.

HOLT'S SEWING MACHINES: CABINET AND HAND.

DRAPERY AND CLOTHING DEPARTMENT.

Suits: silk-mixture, Galatea, Paget, sac	Dress materials: wineys, French merinos, all-wool plaids, prints
Boys' do.	Flannels; Calicos, bleached and unbleached
Trousers and Vests: Mosgiel, silk-mixed, tweed, doeskin	Blankets, rugs, quilts
Shirts: white dress, crimeans, Scotch twill, tweed	Table-covers, bed and toilet-covers.
Pants and undershirts, in flannel, lamb's-wool, merino, and cotton	Cocoa and felt matting
Hosiery and hats	Hessian, bed-ticking, carpets
	Top, waterproof, and tweed coats; etc., etc.

BOOTS & SHOES.

Boots: men's elastic-sides, watertights, halt-Wellingtons; Hayward and North British Gum Boot
Women's and children's Boots, Shoes, and Slippers, in calf, kid, and cashmere.
N.B.—All goods in this department are marked at low prices.

CROCKERYWARE.

Breakfast, dinner, and bedroom sets complete	China, glass, and earthenware goods of every description
Lamps: parlour, hanging, bracket	

FILTERS, VASES, AND LUSTRES.

FANCY GOODS.

Electro-plated Britannia-metal tea and coffee pots; meerscham and briar pipes—a choice selection; patent medicines; stationery; perfumery.

COLONIAL PRODUCE: Wheat, Oats, Chaff, Pollard, and Potatoes.

D. A. J. & Co. have been appointed sole agents for the sale of Butel Bros.' superior silk-dressed flour, bran, and pollard; and are prepared to promptly execute all orders within a radius of sixty miles.—FLOUR GUARANTEED. TERMS LIBERAL.

W. TALBOYS'

CLEARING SALE OF GROCERY.

New Season Tea, 1878-79 (Boxes of 12lb), 23s	Fresh Herrings, 8d per tin.
Cocoa (pound tins), 1s 6d	Lobsters, 10½d per tin
Muscatsels, 1s 2d per lb	Salmon, 10½d per tin
Jordan Almonds, 2s 3d per lb	Sardines (half-pound tins), 11d
Elemes, 7½d per lb	Sardines (quarter-pound tins), 7d
Lemon Peel, 1s 5d per lb	Oysters, 7d per tin
Two-crown Soap, 12s per box	Tainish's Jams, 11d per tin
Three-crown Soap, 14s per box	Figs, 1s per box
Cheese, 10d per lb	Preserved Fruits, 2s.
Hams, 10d per lb	Pickles, 1s per bottle
Kerosene (Noonday), 12s per tin.	Candles 10½d per lb

ABOVE PRICES ARE STRICTLY CASH.

Men's Elastic Sides, Lace-ups and Watertights, Colonial Made, 14s 6d.

A large stock of Ladies' and Children's Kid Boots (Copper Toes), 4s 6d.

W. TALBOYS, LONDON HOUSE, CROMWELL.

Cromwell Advertisements

I. HALLENSTEIN & CO.,

HAVE ON HAND

THE LARGEST AND BEST-SELECTED STOCK

OF ANY UP-COUNTRY STORE IN

DRAPERY, BOOTS, IRONMONGERY, CROCKERY

WINES and SPIRITS.

SPECIAL ATTENTION DEVOTED TO

MEN'S AND BOYS' CLOTHING,

DIRECT FROM OUR OWN FACTORY.

A LARGE STOCK OF

FURNITURE AND BUILDING MATERIALS

ALWAYS ON HAND.

AGENTS FOR

Robertson & Hallenstein's Celebrated Silk-dressed Wakatip Flour.

A GOOD SUPPLY OF BRAN, POLLARD, AND PRODUCE OF ALL KINDS ALWAYS ON HAND

I. HALLENSTEIN & CO.

EXTENSION OF PREMISES.

W. TALBOYS

Having determined to Extend his Premises,

WILL HOLD A

Great Clearing Sale!

OF HIS EXTENSIVE AND VARIED STOCK OF

DRAPERY, HOSIERY, HABERDASHERY,

CLOTHING, BOOTS & SHOES, &c., &c.,

EXTENDING OVER ONE MONTH ONLY!

CALL EARLY AND SECURE BARGAINS.

Cromwell

V. R. N. O. T. I. C. E.

The following are the days appointed for holding the Resident Magistrate's and Warden's Courts for the months of April, May and June, 1880, for the Dunstan division of the Otago Goldfields Districts:—

CLYDE—Every Thursday, excepting the Teviot Court week.
CROMWELL—Every Friday.

ALEXANDRA—Monday, April 5 and 19
" May 3, 17 and 31
" June 14 and 28

[The District Court Office at Alexandra will be open on the above dates for the transaction of business. For the transaction of ordinary business this office will be open every Monday.]

OPHIR—Tuesday, April 6
" May 4
" June 1

[This office will be open for the transaction of ordinary business the Monday preceding each Court day.]

ROXBURGH—Tuesday, April 13
" May 11
" June 8

JACKSON KEDDELL,
Warden and R.M.



CROMWELL ANNUAL RACE MEETING, DECEMBER, 1880.

THE CROMWELL DERBY

A Sweepstake of 5 sovs each for all acceptors, with 50 sovs added by the Club. Two sovs forfeit. For three-year-olds bred in Vincent, Lake and Maniototo Counties. Derby weights: Colts, 8st 10lbs; Fillies, 8st 5lbs. No allowance for geldings. Second horse to receive 20 per cent. of the stakes, and the third to save his stake. Distance, one mile and a half.

Nominations to be sent to the Secretary on or before the 24th day of May next; balance of sweep, £3, to be made good on night of general entry.

Declaration of forfeit to be made to the Secretary on or before Tuesday, the 9th day of November, 1880, or the nominator will be liable for the whole stake.

GEO. JENOUR, Secretary.

K. P. R. E. T. S. C. H. CROMWELL, COACH AND GENERAL PAINTER, PAPERHANGER, &c.

Has always on hand a fine selection of Paper hangings, Paints, Glass, and Mouldings of every description, at low prices.

Contracts undertaken for General Painting, Paperhanging, Decoration, and Sign Writing.

E. M. U. R. R. E. L. L. WATCHMAKER & JEWELLER.

Has just received, per English Mail, another consignment of SILVER HUNTING LEVER WATCHES direct from the manufacturer in London. As these Watches are made to his own order, bear his name, and specially made to suit the requirements of this district, he can with confidence recommend them to the public both as regards finish and accuracy of adjustment, and as Time-keepers not to be excelled in the colony.

E.M. has made arrangements for regular supplies, and as he buys for cash he is in a position to defy competition.

A Two Years' Guarantee given with every Watch.

INSPECTION INVITED.

Note the address—

E. MURRELL,
Watch and Clock Maker,
MELMORE-STREET, CROMWELL.

NOBEL'S PATENT DYNAMITE.

DALGETY, NICHOLS AND CO., Agents for the above Dynamite, beg to call the attention of Contractors, Miners and others, to the great strength of Dynamite, compared with other explosives as shown below:—

Blasting Gelatine, 100.00, Nobel's patent.
Nitro Glycerine, 93.36

No. 1 Dynamite, 75.11, Nobel's patent
Lithofracteur of the strongest and best make, 65.69.

The price of Nobel's Dynamite, notwithstanding its greater strength and purity, does not exceed even that of Lithofracteur, viz:—

1 Case 50 lbs, 2s 9d per lb
5 " 2s 6d "
10 " 2s 3d "

Delivery to be taken from Magazine.

DALGETY, NICHOLS, AND CO.
Bond-street, Dunedin.

N.B.—Supplies may be obtained from

D. A. JOLLY & CO., Cromwell.
W. JENKINS, Arrowtown.

Miscellaneous.

R. AND A. J. PARK, SURVEYORS, LAND AGENTS, SHARE AND MONEY BROKERS, SAVINGS BANK BUILDINGS, HIGH-STREET, DUNEDIN.

Land Office business transacted.

MONEY TO LEND AT CURRENT RATES.

JOHN SMITH HAS OPENED Those WELL-KNOWN AND COMMODIOUS STABLES (Late Starkey and Scally's),

And hopes, by attention and civility, to merit a fair share of public patronage.

BUGGIES & SADDLE HORSES ALWAYS ON HIRE.

HORSES BROKEN IN, &c.

P. B. U. T. E. L. & CO.'S FLOUR MILLS. NEAR ARROWTOWN, Supply First-class SILK-DRESSED FLOUR, BRAN AND POLLARD.

GRISTING DONE AT CURRENT RATES.

Country orders executed with care and dispatch. An excellent sample of flour guaranteed, cannot be excelled in the Colony.

VINCENT FLOUR MILL, OPHIR.

J. C. JONES

Begs to inform the inhabitants of the surrounding districts that, having now completed the above Flour Mill, which he has fitted up with machinery on the most improved principle, he is prepared to supply

SILK-DRESSED FLOUR of the best quality; also, Bran and Pollard.

Gristing at Current Rates.

J. C. JONES.

WAKATIP FLOUR & OATMEAL MILLS, LAKE HAYES.

ROBERT GILMOUR - PROPRIETOR.

The Proprietor begs to announce to the public that, owing to the increased demand for Oatmeal, he has now completed considerable improvements on his oatmeal machinery, and is prepared to supply a first-class article at a most reasonable rate.

R.G.'s Mill being under the management of a Miller of wide experience, the public can depend upon a Constant Supply of Flour of the best quality, and can offer it at as cheap a rate and upon as reasonable terms as any in the district.

ROBERT GILMOUR.

N. O. T. I. C. E.

On and after this date, POISON will be LAID for DOGS and RABBITS on Mount Pisa and Queensberry Runs.

H. F. WILLMOTT,

Manager.

Mount Pisa Station, April 2, 1880.

N. O. T. I. C. E.

A number of useless Curs are allowed to prowl about on Kawarau Station by their owners. This is to give them warning that POISON will be laid wherever they are most likely to get it.

JAMES COWAN.

October, 1877.

THE AUSTRALIAN LITHOFRAC- TEUR AND DYNAMITE CO. (KREBS' PATENT.)

ARTHUR BRISCOE & CO., Having accepted the above Company's Agency or New Zealand, direct the attention of Railway and other Contractors, Miners, and Quarrymen to the enormous advantages derived from the use of these STRONGEST EXPLOSIVES MANUFACTURED.

For Mining, Quarrying, Blasting in hard or soft rock, and for Submarine Works (Krebs' Patent being the only manufacture insoluble) it is invaluable.

The SUPERIOR STRENGTH of these COLONIAL EXPLOSIVES has been proved by experts to be 15 to 20 per cent. stronger than any imported Dynamite, while the present price renders it cheaper than blasting powder.

Price—1 case, 2s 9d per lb.
5 " 2s 6d "
10 " 2s 3d "

Delivery from magazine payable by purchaser.

ARTHUR BRISCOE & CO.,
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL IRONMONGERS AND
IRON MERCHANTS,
PRINCES-STREET, DUNEDIN.

Cromwell

SWAN BREWERY, CROMWELL.

G. W. GOODGER, . . Proprietor.

The Proprietor is now prepared to supply his unrivalled XXXX ALES in any quantity, delivered throughout the District.

Orders left at the Commercial Hotel, Cromwell, or at the Brewery, will be promptly attended to.

G. W. GOODGER.

WILLIAM SUTHERLAND General

BLACKSMITH & FARRIER, Begs to intimate to Mining Companies and the public generally that he has removed to

QUARTZVILLE,

where he hopes, by strict attention to business and reasonable charges, to merit a share of the public patronage.

CROMWELL

VETERINARY SHOEING FORGE, MELMORE STREET.

ROBERT WISHART,

GENERAL BLACKSMITH, FARRIER, MACHINIST, &c.

Every description of work in connection with Mining and Farming Tools and Machinery made and repaired on the premises.

Good Workmanship guaranteed at Reasonable Prices.

R. W. begs to intimate to the public generally that he has gone to the expense of fitting up a CAST-IRON BED for TIRING WHEELS, being the first introduced up-country; and in this branch he will guarantee to give every satisfaction.

Horses shod on the latest and most-approved principle.

Light shoes ... 10s.
Draught do. ... 16s.

N.B.—A large supply of Slesinger's Horse and Cattle Medicines on hand.

IMPORTANT TO WAGONERS, FARMERS, AND THE GENERAL PUBLIC.

NEW VETERINARY & SHOEING FORGE.

JAMES RICHARDS,

GENERAL BLACKSMITH AND FARRIER, Having removed to the premises recently occupied by R. Wishart (adjoining Bank of New Zealand), begs to inform the public that he is in a position to execute every class of work in a most satisfactory manner at reasonable prices.

In the Veterinary and Shoeing Department the advertiser has considerable experience, and in these branches can guarantee to suit those who favor him with their patronage.
Horses carefully and skilfully treated for all complaints.

Note the Address—

MELMORE STREET, CROMWELL,
Adjoining the Bank of New Zealand.

SHERWOOD AND WRIGHT, WHOLESALE AND RETAIL

WINE, SPIRIT, AND PROVISION MERCHANTS, AND GENERAL

STOREKEEPERS,

MELMORE-STREET, CROMWELL

Having completed their arrangements for the regular consignment of Goods suitable to the market, Sherwood and Wright have pleasure in intimating that they have now on hand, and constantly arriving, full supplies of

WINES, SPIRITS, PROVISIONS, AND
FAMILY GROCERIES

of the very best quality obtainable, and which will be found to compare most favorably as to price with those of any establishment on the Goldfields.

The Stock comprises every class of goods in above line, so that it is unnecessary to give a detailed list.

Messrs Sherwood and Wright have made arrangements for a constant supply of

FLOUR, BRAN, POLLARD, AND GENERAL
PRODUCE

of the finest quality from the Wakatipu Mills. In this line the firm can offer special value.

GOODS DELIVERED TO ALL PARTS OF THE DISTRICT.

FAMILIES REGULARLY WAITED UPON.

S. & W. desire specially to state that they have entered into arrangements for the regular supply to them of

DAIRY PRODUCE

from one of the finest farms on the Taieri, an advantage which they feel sure their customers will fully appreciate.

Insurance Companies.

NORWICH UNION FIRE INSURANCE SOCIETY.

RISKS TAKEN ON THE MOST LIBERAL TERMS.

JAMES MARSHALL,
Melmore-Street, Cromwell.

[ESTABLISHED, 1859.]

NEW ZEALAND INSURANCE COMPANY.

CAPITAL ... £1,000,000.

Accepts Fire Risks on every description property, at lowest rates.

CHARLES COLCLOUGH,
Agent, Cromwell.

COBB AND CO.'S LIVERY STABLES, LAWRENCE.

Will now be under the personal supervision of Mr Craig.

HORSES & BUGGIES ALWAYS ON HIRE.

Horses Broken to Saddle and Harness.

H. CRAIG & Co.,
Proprietors.

CENTRAL REGISTRY OFFICE.

E. LYONS begs to notify the inhabitants of Cromwell and District that he has OPENED a REGISTRY OFFICE in conjunction with his Fruiterer's Business in Dunedin.

Hotelkeepers, station owners and others can rely upon obtaining suitable Servants of every description.

E. LYONS

(Late J. B. L. Luks),

COMMISSION, LAND & ESTATE AGENT,
GEORGE-STREET, DUNEDIN.

KAWARAU COAL PIT, BANNOCKBURN.

JOHN PRYDE, Proprietor.

The Coal supplied from above Pit is recognised as the best yet vended in the district. It burns freely, and emits great heat. It is delivered at

Cromwell ... 24s per ton.
Bannockburn ... 20s do.
At Pit's mouth ... 12s do.

FULL WEIGHT GUARANTEED.

JOHN PRYDE,

Proprietor.

WANAKA SAW-MILLS.

RUSSELL, EWING & CO.,

PROPRIETORS.

The Proprietors have placed the above Mills in complete working order with the best appliances obtainable and are prepared to supply Manufactured Timber of every description; Posts, Rails, Props, Slabs, &c. &c., at the shortest possible notice, at reasonable prices and on easy terms.

Orders punctually attended to and despatched with promptitude.

RUSSELL, EWING & Co.,
WANAKA SAW MILLS.

DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP.

The PARTNERSHIP hitherto existing at Dunedin between the undersigned in the business of Engineers and Iron Founders, under the firm of "Kincaid, M'Queen and Co.," has this day been dissolved by mutual consent. The business will be continued under the same style by the undersigned CHARLES M'QUEEN, who will discharge all the liabilities of the firm, and receive all moneys due.

Dated this 1st day of May, 1880.

JAMES KINCAID

CHARLES M'QUEEN.

Witness:

ROBERT DICK, Solicitor, Dunedin.

With reference to the above, I beg to thank the numerous customers of the Firm for the liberal support that has been accorded during the past 18 years, and to express a hope that I shall retain the confidence that has been bestowed hitherto.

CHARLES M'QUEEN.

Hotels.

KIRTLBURN HOTEL,
ROARING MEG.

T. GORMAN, Proprietor.

The travelling public will find every comfort and accommodation at this hostelry.
Wines, Beer, and Spirits of best brands.

JOHN MARSH,
BRIDGE HOTEL,
CROMWELL.

VALUE FOR MONEY.

VICTORIA BRIDGE HOTEL.

J. M'CORMICK, Proprietor.

The above well-known Hotel (late Edwards') has undergone a thorough renovation at the hands of the present proprietor, and is now second to no house on the main road from Cromwell to Queenstown.

Travellers may rest assured that they will receive every attention at the above Hotel.

The excellent range of STONE STABLES is under the charge of an experienced Groom. Horses will therefore secure every attention.

BANNOCKBURN HOTEL & STORE,
DOCTOR'S FLAT, BANNOCKBURN,
(On the Main Road to the Nevis).

GROCERIES, CLOTHING, BOOTS, and HOUSEHOLD REQUISITES of all descriptions kept in Stock

The Goods, being obtained DIRECT from Dunedin, are retailed at the LOWEST POSSIBLE PRICES.

N.B.—Good Stabling, Horse Feed, &c.

JOHN RICHARDS, PROPRIETOR.

VICTORIA HOTEL,
CROMWELL.

JAMES STUART,

(Late of the Ferry Hotel, Bannockburn.) Begs to intimate to his friends and the public that he has purchased the above Hotel, where he hopes, by strict attention to business, and by keeping the best Wines and Spirits, to merit a share of public patronage.

A first-class table kept, and superior eight-stall stone stable, replete with every convenience for Travellers. Unsurpassed in the District.

N.B.—The nearest Hotel to the Court-house.

CRITERION HOTEL,
ALEXANDRA.

HENRY TOHILL, Proprietor.

H. TOHILL begs to inform the Travelling Public that this Hotel possesses every convenience, and trusts, by strict attention to the comfort of Travellers and the Public generally, to merit their patronage.

PRIVATE PARLOR AND BEDROOMS.

Large and commodious Billiard Room and Alcock's Prize Table.

THE BEST OF WINES, SPIRITS AND BEER ONLY KEPT.

The Culinary Department Specially attended to.

GOOD STABLING.

PORT PHILIP HOTEL,
SUNDERLAND STREET, CLYDE.

JOHN COX, Proprietor.

This well-known Hotel possesses every accommodation; and J. C. begs to inform the Travelling Public that, to suit the times, he has determined on reducing the charges, which, from date, will be as follows:—

Stabling, per night	6s
Single Feed	2s
Meals and Bed, each	2s
Board and Lodging, per week	30s
Board only	20s

The Stables attached to the Hotel comprise, besides Stalls, Eight Loose Boxes. An efficient Groom always in attendance, and only the best of Provender kept.

Cobb and Co's. coaches arrive and depart from this Hotel.

THE BEST BRANDS OF SPIRITS, WINES, AND BEERS.

N.B.—A Private Cottage for Families, containing all the comforts of a home.

Hotel.

BALLARAT HOTEL,
ARROWTOWN.

Mrs G. B. BOND, Proprietress.

The above Hotel is replete with every convenience and comfort, rendering it eminently suitable for the travelling public, while permanent boarders will find all the comforts of a home.

FIRST-CLASS STABLING
Efficiently managed.

Prize Billiard Table, with all accessories and careful attendance.

Cromwell

E. M'CAFFREY,
PRACTICAL STONEWORKER AND
MONUMENTAL SCULPTOR
QUEENSTOWN.

Monuments, Headstones, Memorial Crosses and Tablets cut to any design.

Stone for Building and Coping supplied according to agreement.

Pillars, suitable for any kind of large building, from 1ft to 20ft lengths, any thickness.

The above can be highly polished.

E. M'CAFFREY would beg to call particular attention to the stone, as the most eminent geologists at the Sydney Exhibition have pronounced the same to be imperishable, having a fine grain and capable of sustaining the finest ornamental work, which cannot be excelled in any part of the world. It is of a bright yellow color, which shows its brilliant nature.

Before building send for a sample of his stone, which will be forwarded per return of post.

Address:

E. M'CAFFREY,
QUEENSTOWN.



FREE TRADE BUTCHERY.
(Wholesale and Retail).

JAMES DAWKINS - PROPRIETOR.

A supply of Beef, Mutton, Veal, Pork, Hams, Bacon, &c., always on hand.

* * Meat delivered at Town Prices throughout the district.



R. AND W. OLDS
FAMILY BUTCHERS,

MELMORE-STREET, CROMWELL.

In thanking householders of the town and district of Cromwell for the liberal patronage conferred upon them since starting business, desire to say that they have entered into such arrangements as will enable them to continue to supply their Customers with Beef, Mutton, Pork and other articles in the trade of the very best quality.

SMALL GOODS OF EVERY DESCRIPTION.

Families and Hotels waited upon daily.



THE CROMWELL BAKERY.

J. SCOTT,

BREAD AND BISCUIT BAKER,
Melmore-street, Cromwell.

Families waited on for orders, and Bread regularly delivered in all parts of the district.

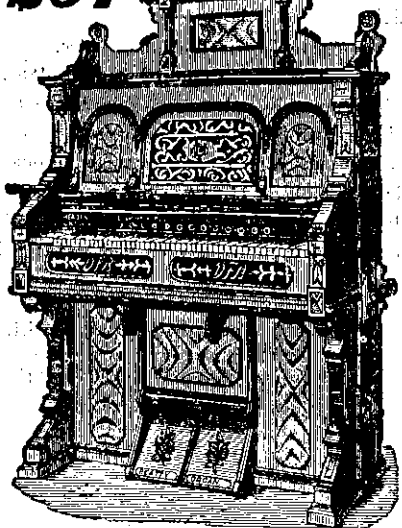
THOMAS FOOTE,
TAILOR AND CLOTHIER

MELMORE TERRACE,
CROMWELL.

Choice Selection of Tweeds on hand.

BEATTY

A 13 Stop Organ
ONLY \$97
15 DAYS TEST TRIAL



BEATTY ORGAN Style No. 2100.

A beautiful Celtic style of architecture in this case strikes the eye of the connoisseur, and stamps it at once as the most beautiful case extant. Dimensions: Height, 74 in.; Width, 48 in.; Depth, 24 in. 8 Stops of Reeds, 5 Octaves, 13 Stops, French Venerated Pannell Cases highly finished. Beatty's Improved Knee Swell, and Beatty's new Excelsior Grand Organ Knee Swell. The mechanism, design, and music in this Organ renders it the most desirable ever before manufactured for the parlor or drawing-room. Retail price asked for such an instrument by Agents, three years ago about \$370.00. My offer, Only \$97. Pay for the instrument only after you have fully tested it at your own home. It is not an represented return at my expense, I paying freight both ways. Remember, this offer is at the very lowest figure, and that I positively will not deviate from this price. Fully warranted for 6 years. Every Organ sold, sells others. The most successful House in America. More unsolicited testimonials than any manufacturer. I have extended my sales now over the entire world. The sun shines no where but it lights my Instruments. Since my recent return from an extended tour through the Continent of Europe, I am more determined than ever that no city or town throughout the entire civilized world shall be unrepresented by my celebrated Instruments.

BEATTY PIANO \$125, \$135, \$145, and upwards. Beware of imitations! Having recently been **ELECTED MAYOR** of my own city, should be sufficient proof of my responsibility. Illustrated Newspaper giving information about cost of Pianos and Organs sent free. Address: **DANIEL F. BEATTY,** Washington, New Jersey.

TO THE PUBLIC OF CROMWELL AND SURROUNDING DISTRICTS.

MICHAEL DALEY,
BOOT AND SHOEMAKER,

Begs to inform the Inhabitants of Cromwell and Surrounding Districts that he has PURCHASED the STOCK-IN-TRADE of the late W. Taylor, and hopes for a continuance of the same liberal patronage enjoyed by the late firm.

All Orders and Repairs carefully and punctually attended to.

Note the Address—

MELMORE TERRACE, CROMWELL
(Opposite Talboys' London House, Drapery Establishment).

MEDICAL HALL DISPENSARY,
MELMORE TERRACE,
CROMWELL.

HENRY HOTOP,

Having purchased the Business lately conducted by Mr Max. Gall, begs to inform the residents of Cromwell, Clyde and the surrounding districts that he is now the only Dispensing Chemist in Vincent County, and that, to meet the requirements of his business, he has supplied himself with a Large Stock of

DRUGS, CHEMICALS & PATENT MEDICINES
Of every description.

In connection with the above, H. Hotop has also a most varied and choice Stock of

FANCY GOODS, PERFUMERY,
SOAPS, COSMETICS, SCENTS,
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English, European and American Newspapers and Journals supplied to Subscribers at low rates, and sent post free all over the country.

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(Choicest Brands).

N.B.—As the business will be conducted under the immediate supervision of Mr H. Hotop, all those who may favor him with their commands may rely on every attention being paid them.

Prescriptions most carefully dispensed.

Orders received from the Clyde portion of the district will be promptly attended to.

HENRY HOTOP,

Cromwell.

J. SOLOMON

IS NOW DISPLAYING HIS

NEW STOCK

OF

AUTUMN & WINTER

DRAPERY, CLOTHING AND BOOTS.

Personally selected by himself in Dunedin, and purchased, a bargain, for Cash. Consequently he is in a position to Sell Cheaper than any other house in Cromwell.

HE MEANS SELLING CHEAPER THAN EVER THIS SEASON!

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OF

Ladies' and Children's Trimmed Hats
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Collars and Cuffs
Pompadour Scarfs
Lace Sets
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And the finest Assortment of

LADIES' COSTUMES
(ALL COLORS)

That ever came into Cromwell!

A VERY LARGE VARIETY OF

WOOL GOODS,

Suitable for the Winter Season for both Ladies and Children.

NEW BLANKETS—Mosgiel and Kaiapoi
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AND AN IMMENSE VARIETY OF

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SUITABLE FOR THE SEASON!!

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MEN'S YOUTHS' & BOYS' CLOTHING.
Flannels, Pants, Half-hose, Hats, Ties, Scarfs, &c., &c.

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In the district. For Ladies', Gentlemen's, Youths, Maids' and Children's, and for price, J. S. DEFIES COMPETITION!

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FANCY GOODS
PATENT MEDICINES
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J. S. has the name for selling Cheaper than any Storekeeper in the district. He trusts the Public will favor him with a call, and prove the fact.

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J. SOLOMON,
OPPOSITE COUNCIL CHAMBERS.

LOOK OUT!

FOR

O. CUMMINS.

He will visit the Surrounding Districts regularly with a first-class assorted Stock of Drapery, Clothing, Boots, Fancy Goods, &c., and his instructions are to Sell Cheap. J.S. trusts the public will give him a share of their patronage.

Vincent County Gazette.

N O T I C E.

The PLANS and SPECIFICATIONS of the Bridge over the Clutha River, near the Luggate Creek, may be inspected at the County Offices, Clyde, on and after the 31st day of May, 1880, and at Dunedin, at a place to be named in a future advertisement, on and after the 8th day of June, 1880.

L. D. MACGEORGE,
County Engineer.

Vincent County Offices,
Clyde, May 15th, 1880.

C A U T I O N !

Applicants for Water Races and Tail Races are hereby notified that where any such Race crosses or traverses any road, a copy of the application must be sent to the County Clerk in conformity with the requirements of the Regulations made under "The Mines Act, 1877," respecting Water Races, &c.; and no person, whether holding a certificate from the Warden's Court or otherwise, will be permitted to proceed with the construction of a Race across or upon any line of road without having first obtained the approval in writing of the County Engineer.

VINCENT PYKE,
Chairman.

Vincent County Offices,
Clyde, April 20th, 1880.

L A K E C O U N T Y.

IT IS HEREBY NOTIFIED that Constable THOMAS CAMERON, is Appointed an INSPECTOR of Abattoirs and Slaughter Houses, and of Cattle intended for Slaughter, within Lake County.

FRED. H. DANIEL,
Chairman Lake County Council.

County Offices,
Queenstown, May 1st, 1880.

L A K E C O U N T Y C O U N C I L.

TENDERS FOR ARROW CONTRACT.

TENDERS will be received at the Lake County Council Office, Queenstown, until Noon of MONDAY, the 31st day of May, 1880, for the undermentioned works:—

Construction of Bridge over the River Arrow, with Approaches thereto.

Plans, specifications, and general conditions may be seen at the County Council Office, Queenstown, and at the office of Mr H. P. Higginson, Civil Engineer, Queen's Buildings, Dunedin.

Tenders, on forms supplied, to be addressed to the Chairman, and marked outside, "Tender for Arrow Contract."

The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

Tenders must be accompanied by a marked cheque for two and a half per cent. of the amount.

Dated this 13th day of May, 1880.

F. H. DANIEL,
Chairman.



I HEREBY NOTIFY that I will hold Courts at the undermentioned places and times for the purpose of hearing any applications for relief under the 47th section of the Counties Act, 1876:—

At the Court House, Cromwell, for the Ridings of Kawarau, Clutha, Lindis, and Hawea, on Friday, the 4th day of June next.

At the Court House, Clyde, for the Ridings of Dunstan, Earnsclough and Nevis, on Thursday, the 10th day of June next.

At the Court House, Ophir, for the Ridings of Matakau and Manuhiriki, on Tuesday, the 1st day of June next.

Any person feeling aggrieved by any entry on, or omission from, the Rolls of the various Ridings, must lodge his application for relief at the respective Magistrate's Courts above mentioned, on or before the last day of May current.

JACKSON REDDELL,
Resident Magistrate,
Clyde, May 14th, 1880.

V. R. DISTRICT ORDER.

Lake District Volunteer Office,
Cromwell, May 18, 1880.

The several Volunteer Companies in the Lake District will Parade at their respective Drill-sheds, or such other place as commanding officers think suitable, at 11.30 a.m. on Monday, 24th May, instant, and will, at noon, fire a *feu-de-joie* in honor of the Birthday of her Majesty the Queen.

S. N. BROWN,
Captain Commanding Lake District.

CROMWELL RIFLE VOLUNTEERS.

NOTICE.

In compliance with above District Order, a PARADE of the Cromwell Rifles (including Band) will be held on MONDAY FIRST, 24th instant, at Bannockburn, at 10 a.m., sharp. Programme of day's proceedings will be notified on the ground.

A full attendance of members is required.

D. A. JOLLY,
Lieut. Commanding.

V. R. IN BANKRUPTCY.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE OTAGO GOLDFIELDS, HOLDEN AT QUEENSTOWN.

In the matter of the Debtors and Creditors Act, 1876, and of the Debtors and Creditors Amendment Act, 1878; and in the matter of the bankruptcy of EZRA ELDRED, of Few's Creek, Lake County, a Debtor.

THIS IS TO NOTIFY that Ezra Eldred, of Few's Creek aforesaid, Lime Burner, has this day filed a statement that he is unable to meet his engagements with his Creditors:

The First Meeting of Creditors to be held at ten o'clock in the forenoon on Friday, the 21st day of May, 1880, at the Court-house, Queenstown.

Dated this 10th day of May, 1880.

JOHN S. WORTHINGTON,
Clerk of District Court.

WESLEY TURTON,
Debtor's Solicitor.

V. R. PRINTING ELECTORAL ROLLS.

TENDERS will be received at my office, Court House, Clyde, until Noon on MONDAY, the 24th day of May, 1880, for Printing the Electoral Roll for the District of Dunstan. They must be addressed to the Registrar of Electors for the District of Dunstan, and marked outside "Tender for Printing Electoral Roll."

CONDITIONS.

1. The number of copies to be printed is two hundred and fifty.

2. The paper, type, and size of pages to be according to sample to be seen at my office.

3. The tender to state the rate per page, which must cover all expenses of composition, presswork, paper, folding and stitching and alterations and corrections in proofs. Blank pages are not to be charged for.

4. Proofs and revises to be furnished in duplicate to the Registrar of Electors, who will return the same to the printer within two days after being received.

5. Should the printing of the Roll not be completed before the 31st day of August, 1880, the contractor shall forfeit the sum of ten shillings for every day beyond that date during which the work shall remain unfinished.

6. Security, to be approved by the Registrar of Electors, to be given for the due performance of the contract.

7. The lowest or any tender will not necessarily be accepted.

ARTHUR D. HARVEY,
Registrar of Electors for District of Dunstan.

F R U I T T R E E S !
FOREST TREES !!
ORNAMENTAL SHRUBS !!!

Now is the time to plant. Send your orders to the ARGUS SEED WAREHOUSE if you desire Trees of the best quality and true to name.

CROMWELL RIFLE VOLUNTEERS.

THE ANNUAL INVITATION BALL

WILL BE HELD ON

Friday, May 28th, 1880.

J. ADAMS,
Secretary.

V O L U N T E E R B A L L.

Large and New Stock of
FLOWERS,
WHITE KID BOOTS,
DRESSES, AND
GLOVES (EVENING SHADES
AND WHITE AT 3s 6d).
TALBOYS' LONDON HOUSE.

Q U E E N ' S B I R T H D A Y.

MONDAY NEXT, 24TH MAY.

A D A N C E

Will take place in the Evening
AT ANGEL'S HOTEL,
BANNOCKBURN.

N O T I C E.

In the Bankrupt Estate of ELIZABETH REID, of Bendigo.

A First and Final DIVIDEND of 4s 6d in the Pound is now payable in the above Estate, at my office, Cromwell, to the Creditors who have duly proved their debts.

CHAS. COLCLOUGH,
Creditors Trustee.

F O R S A L E

By Private Treaty,
A Team of Ten WORKING BULLOCKS
most of which are young, and the
whole being well broken to dray
and Plough, together with
YOKES, CHAINS and DRAY.

For particulars, apply on the ground to
DONALD McLENNAN,
Blairn Hall, Lower Hawea, Albert Town.

S T R A Y E D H O R S E.

£1 10s R E W A R D.

STRAYED from Doolen's Creek, one BAY FILLY, black points, Branded J near shoulder. Any one delivering her to J. Leslie, Gibston, or J. Cowan, Kawarau Station, will receive above Reward.

NORMAN McRITCHIE.

M R SPENCE H. TURTON
Has commenced Practice as a
SOLICITOR AND CONVEYANCER
IN CROMWELL.

Mr TURTON is prepared to visit Alexandra, Blacks, and other places, when professionally required.

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TWO DOORS BELOW GOODGER'S HOTEL.

B O R O U G H O F C R O M W E L L.
Extraordinary Vacancy for Councillor for Macandrew Ward.

In Room of Councillor Scott.

NOMINATIONS for the office of COUNCILLOR for Macandrew Ward will be received at the Court House, Cromwell, at noon, on WEDNESDAY, the 26th day of May, 1880.

Dated at Cromwell this 17th day of May, 1880.

JAS. MARSHALL,
Returning Officer for Macandrew Ward.

B O R O U G H O F C R O M W E L L.
Extraordinary Vacancy for Two Councillors for Bridge Ward.

In Room of Councillors Arndt and Dawkins.

NOMINATIONS for the office of Two COUNCILLORS for Bridge Ward will be received at the Council Chambers, Cromwell, at noon, on THURSDAY, 27th May, 1880.

Dated at Cromwell this 17th day of May, 1880.

JAS. MARSHALL,
Returning Officer for Bridge Ward.

REV. FATHER O'LEARY
will say MASS at BANNOCKBURN,
at the usual place on SUNDAY next,
23rd inst., at 11 o'clock a.m.

CROMWELL KILWINNING LODGE (S.C.)

The REGULAR MEETING will be held on WEDNESDAY EVENING, 26th May, at 8 o'clock.

By order of the R.W.M.

R. LOUDON,
Secretary.

PURE-BRED GREYHOUND PUPS FOR SALE.

Whelped May 3, 1880, out of Molly Bawn (by Chaplin's Monarch) by Spot (Hewitt's)
Apply, RICHARD PLUMER,
Bannockburn.

A THENÆUM HALL, CROMWELL.

Positively for Two Nights Only,
MONDAY AND TUESDAY NEXT,
May 24th and 25th.

THE MURRIELLE GEMS!

MDLLE. MURRIELLE
Desires to announce that this will be positively her

FAREWELL APPEARANCE

in the Goldfields Districts, as she is about to retire from the stage temporarily, to complete her studies preparatory to making her *début* in Grand Opera in Melbourne.

She will be assisted by the following Talented Artistes:—

Mr W. H. MANNING
Ventriloquist, Mimic, and Comedian
Mr HAL GRAY
Buffo Singer, Comedian and Stump Orator
Herr WANGANBURG
The Celebrated German Baritone
M. DE FREMONT
Musical Director and Pianist

A GRAND BALL

Will be held after the performance on Queen's Birthnight.

The Company will appear at

BANNOCKBURN

On
WEDNESDAY EVENING,
In the hall attached to the Peakesville Hotel.

HAL GRAY,
Business Manager.

Q U E E N ' S B I R T H D A Y.
PUBLIC HOLIDAY.

At the request of a number of leading citizens, I hereby proclaim MONDAY NEXT, 24th of May, a Public Holiday, and trust the same will be observed.

CHAS. COLCLOUGH,
Mayor.

BIRTH.

At Cromwell, on 15th instant, the wife of A. S. McPhail, of a Daughter.

Cromwell Argus,

AND NORTHERN GOLD-FIELDS GAZETTE.

CROMWELL: TUESDAY, MAY 18, 1880.

The present Ministry is actively preparing to meet the Assembly on the 28th instant. All the chief measures are in the printer's hands, and drafts of some of them have been circulated. Ministers have had no occasion to affect any concealment, and, except upon such matters as the several Royal Commissions are dealing with, they are not at all reticent. Upon some of these their actions can be gauged, indicating the line of policy determined to be pursued. This is most clear in Native matters, but less so in railway concerns. Besides this, the Cabinet makes no great secret that they intend "business" when the House re-assembles. It is evident from this that they are not going to repeat the mistakes of previous Governments, who have met the Assembly in unreadiness—and much mischief in the past has occurred through this spirit of unreadiness. This time in regard to finance there is nothing to conceal—no handsome surplus, no proposals to make in consequence thereof, remissions of taxation, and no alluring field in which to propose to expend it with advantage to the colony. Nothing of the kind, but quite the contrary. Ministers have acted wisely. They have familiarised the country with the fact that the financial position is full of drawbacks—that it is blacker even

than anticipated. Delay in delivering the Budget, speech and suggesting ways and means is not to be a politic move this session. On the contrary, it appears that the earlier the Assembly can be placed in full possession of the surroundings of a most difficult position the better it will be for the Government. Two very important reasons are adducible for following this course: It will check any factious spirit of opposition in one instance; in the other, it will enable the Government to demand from the House an immediate and effective consideration of the various Bills they have made known that they intend to introduce. They are not going to give either the "Young New Zealand" party or Sir GEORGE GREY any stand-point ground of complaint to utter the cry "we've got no work to do." They evidently intend to take up this position: "Here are our measures; they contain our policy—debate and decide upon them." We very much doubt if the Ministry can carry through all they propose. The only policy that may not be fully elaborated at the early period mentioned is that of public works. This is generally late in the session, but there is no reason to believe that it will be more so than usual. Mr OLIVER is known to be desirous of bringing his proposals before the House as early as possible so as to prevent pressure for "political" lines and works, and he is quite right in acting thus. The colony has suffered too much in the past from log-rolling, and the expenditure of loan funds upon non-paying lines and works. It will be creditable to the Government if they can take a bold front and say they will not be consenting parties to making "duck and drakes" of the unexpended balance of the last loan. Still, there will be a fight over the available balance, and Ministers may not be able to take that position, if they desired it ever so much. Under existing circumstances, it will be necessary for any constituency that requires its claims to be duly and fairly considered that its member upon this occasion should be punctual in his attendance at the opening of the House. Much will be gained thereby, and such an attendance has upon less momentous occasions proved beneficial to districts thus represented. We are therefore pleased to know that the Member for Dunstan intends to be present at the opening of the session, from which we judge that Mr PYKE is alive to the necessities of the occasion. The general measures to be introduced will affect this District as largely as any other, and they all relate to matters demanding attention. The Charitable Aids Bill, for instance, will probably lead such cities as Christchurch, Wellington and Auckland to attempt to throw the burden of the maintenance of their institutions upon the consolidated revenue, thereby tending to hamper other required reforms, or making increased taxation more necessary. The Licensing Bill will at last enunciate a principle that has long been recognised. The local option point in the licensing system has previously been driven to extremes. The proposed measure will only apply to the new houses to be licensed, and thus avoid the knotty point of compensation for licenses cancelled through the expression of public opinion. The licensing system requires, however, a comprehensive measure. So many things have to be dealt with that we are not astonished to learn that it contains over two hundred clauses. The re-distribution of the electorates, upon which may hinge the duration of the present Assembly, if passed, is another enactment of much importance. This measure will demand great attention at the hands of members representing up-country districts. It is essential that good and united understanding should exist among the Otago members upon many important questions. This can only be arrived at properly by a caucus meeting in Wellington. We do not propose at present to review the several bills to be introduced this session. Upon another occasion we may do so, but what we wish to point out to the representatives and the represented of Goldfields districts is, that delay in attending the Assembly of the Chambers may remind both when too late of the folly of being a day behind the fair.

TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENTS.)

DUNEDIN, May 18, 11.6 a.m.

Arrived: Ship Rinaldo, from London. Barron addressed his constituents last night, receiving a vote of confidence.

Reid received a similar vote at Hokitika. Macandrew addresses Port Chalmers on Friday.

The Premier addresses his constituents this week.

Near Oamaru, Charles Haggie, aged 16, accidentally killed himself while shooting.

The Harbor Board has adopted large reductions in several of its departments.

The Colonial Insurance Company has declared a dividend of 10 per cent.

On the voyage of the Loch Dee, which arrived at Auckland, from London, yesterday, one of the passengers committed suicide, and three fell overboard and were drowned.

Warden Mackay has visited the Seventeen-mile Beach rush, and reports having washed three dishes of dirt from three different claims with the following results: 2½ dwts, 4 dwts, and 27 dwts. Fine gold has been obtained, but not in sufficient quantities to cause a rush at present. The terrace claims are rich, the gold being coarse and heavy.

The investigation of the affairs of the Permanent Building Society since the departure of the late secretary, J. S. Webb, has resulted in the discovery of a considerable

deficiency—the amount is stated to be £1100. Webb is guaranteed with the Standard Insurance Company for £2000.

Diphtheria is prevalent in Dunedin. A fatal case was reported on Saturday.

The Dunedin School Committee has adopted Richardson's temperance book.

LATEST BY CABLE.

LONDON, May 16.

At the wool sales, merino fleece and merino lambs' wools are unchanged; crossbreds, 2½d to 3d lower compared with previous sales. There will be no further sales until the 19th, owing to Whitsuntide holidays. Sales close on June 8th.

At Constantinople, in consequence of Albany having issued a proclamation of independence, communications have been exchanged between the great Powers' ambassadors, who consequently demanded the dispatch of Turkish troops to surround Albany. The great Powers will in no way countenance the independence of the province. It has been found imperative for Count Orloff to resume his post there.

A special and ordinary meeting of Vincent County Council is convened for tomorrow, at Clyde.

We understand the capitation allowance due the Lake District Volunteers for 1879-80 has been received.

During the past week there have been heavy falls of snow in the high lands, and the surrounding country now presents quite a wintry aspect. The rivers are high above the ordinary level.

We understand that a proclamation has been issued in the Gazette setting aside ten acres of the Cromwell commonage for the purposes of a new cemetery, as recently applied for by the Borough Council.

A new feature, and one likely to afford pleasure during the winter evenings to a good many lovers of the game in Cromwell will shortly be introduced by the Library Committee, in the shape of a chess-table and appurtenances, to be placed in the reading-room.

Monday next, 24th instant, is the latest date for the receipt of nominations for the Cromwell Derby, 1880. Owners should bear this in mind. The race is open to horses bred in Lake, Vincent and Maniototo Counties, and the stake is likely to be one worth having a cut in for. Nominators must enclose two sovereigns for each horse entered.

The substantial return of nearly four ozs. per ton for the last crushing of the Gladstone company at Macetown will strengthen the confidence of investors in mining property in that district. It is evident that greater care has been exercised in the manipulation of the stone than at last crushing, and the shareholders are to be congratulated on the proved richness of the mine. Mr Thomas Logan superintending operations at the mill on the present occasion.

In the R.M. Court, Cromwell, on Friday, Major Kedell dealt with the following civil cases:—Colclough (Trustee in estate of E. Thompson) v. Allen—Claim for £41 7s. No appearance of defendant. Judgment was given for £34, with costs. Execution to be stayed for 14 days.—Same v. Collins—Claim for £4 16s. Judgment for amount with costs, £22s.—O'Neill v. Flynn—Claim for £24 2s 6d. Judgment for amount claimed, to be paid by instalments.

The Lake County Council invite tenders for the erection of a bridge over the Arrow River and construction of approaches thereto. This work is rendered necessary to complete the through line of communication shortly to be opened by the new bridge over the Kawarau River and new road-line, now in the hands of Mr McCormick. The Lake Council is deserving of much credit for the enterprising way in which it has gone about this important work—than which none on the goldfields will confer greater and more general benefit to the travelling public.

Those who had the pleasure of enjoying the versatile talents of Mlle Murrielle on the one occasion of her appearance in Cromwell, will be pleased to learn that the lady, with a strong company in support, will give two entertainments here, on Monday and Tuesday evenings next, in the Athenaeum Hall. To those who were of the audience when Mlle. Murrielle was last in Cromwell it is not necessary to give advice; and to those who missed the opportunity it is sufficient to announce that a rare treat is in store for them. The company will visit Bannockburn on Wednesday evening.

Monday next being the anniversary (60th) of Queen Victoria's birthday, will be observed as a national holiday. The only form of public demonstration we have yet heard of is that the Volunteers are going to have a field-day at Bannockburn. Military movements, shooting for prizes (of which a goodly number, and of value, are arranged to be given) and sports of various kinds are likely to be included in the day's proceedings, so that there is likely to be considerable liveliness on the other side of Kawarau. The muster is called for ten o'clock in the forenoon, and punctuality is desirable in view of the lengthy programme likely to be provided.

A Blenheim telegram of Wednesday gives particulars of a shocking death by burning at Queen Charlotte's Sound. On the Sunday Mr Isaac Landell, of Yellerton run, Torry Channell, left home accompanied by his two daughters. They proceeded in a boat to Oyster Bay, where they landed, and were joined by a young man named Flood. The whole party then commenced setting fire to the scrub, the two girls being a short distance from Landell and Flood. After firing a short time, Landell called the girls to come where he was, as a strong wind was blowing at the time, and the scrub was burning fiercely. In response to the summons the eldest daughter only came. The other was caught in the flames before she could effect her escape, and was burned to death. The father and Flood, seeing the danger the girl was in, rushed to her assistance, but when they reached her she was quite dead, the flesh being blackened and charred.

Mr Angel, Bannockburn, announces a dance at his house on the night of the 24th.

Large numbers of laboring men are said to be leaving Timaru for Cape Town, owing to the gloomy prospects for winter.

The Dunstan Gun Club will have a pigeon match at Cromwell on Monday, 24th instant. We believe that prizes to the value of nearly £30 will be competed for.

The Catholics of Bannockburn are requested to take notice that the Rev. Father O'Leary will say Mass there, at the usual place, at 11 o'clock a.m., on Sunday next, 23rd May.

A stir has been created among the Jewish money-lenders of Dunedin by some articles in the *Daily Times* exposing the exorbitant rates of interest squeezed out of borrowers by the fraternity.

In a notice of the late Mr Macassey by J. G. S. Grant in the *Saturday Advertiser*, the writer says the deceased gentleman "had the rare honor of being united to a lady who was the first-born child in Dunedin."

J. S. Webb, the well-known Secretary of the Dunedin Chamber of Commerce, has suddenly left the Colony. According to our telegrams an audit of the books and accounts of the Permanent Building Society, of which he was manager, shows a considerable deficiency in the accounts.

From what we can hear, the invitation Ball given by the Cromwell Volunteers is likely this year to attract a large attendance. A considerable number of invitations have been issued, and the acceptances are certain to be numerous, as the annual festivity of our citizen soldiers is every year becoming more popular.

The trap along Balina-street, to which we have on various occasions directed the attention of the Borough Council, is slowly but surely increasing in dimensions. In neglecting precautionary measures at this spot, the Mayor and Councillors are guilty of a gross dereliction of public duty, as will be made patent some of these days in the shape of an action for damages.

The Court-house at Milton was burned to the ground on Thursday evening last with all documents and law books, two or three volumes excepted. The Clerk left a lamp burning while going to tea, and it is supposed to have exploded. Fortunately the wind was blowing away from the township, and the night wet. No fire had been in the Court-house since Tuesday.

At the ordinary practice meeting of the Invercargill Garrison Band on Tuesday (says the *News*) a brief letter which was sent to the conductor occasioned no small amount of surprise. It was simply a resignation by Captain Heywood of his office as bandmaster. After some discussion on the subject, it was resolved that Captain Heywood be requested to furnish the band with his reasons for taking this step.

The *Mount Benger Mail* is the latest addition to our exchange list. The *Mail*, which is published at Roxburgh, is a demy sheet, and presents a fairly creditable appearance, considering the difficulties which the management must have to overcome in the production of the first few numbers. We wish our newly-born brother a long and prosperous career, although we have our fears that broadsheets are crowding rather thickly in up-country districts to command any great success for new ventures.

BRITISH AND FOREIGN NEWS.

[BY CABLE.]

(FROM DUNEDIN DAILIES.)

LONDON, May 11.

There is a good attendance of Home and foreign buyers, at the wool auctions.

May 12.

The Select Committee which was appointed to consider the question which arises through Mr Bradlaugh's refusal to take the oath, has presented its report. A Parliamentary committee has decided that he must take the oath before he takes his seat for Northampton.

LONDON, May 13.

Her Majesty's corvette *Bacchante*, 16 guns, Lord Ramsay commander, which recently returned from a cruise with the Princes Albert and George of Wales, has been ordered on another cruise. She will now proceed to Australia and visit the various ports. Prince George, the second son of the Prince of Wales, will accompany the *Bacchante* on this voyage.

The Australian Cricketers held a three-days' match at Southampton, against 18 gentlemen players of Hampshire. The weather was very fine. The Australian team went in first, and scored 250. Their playing was much admired. Murdoch made the top score with 97, and was then caught. Boyle, who scored 50, was also caught. The English team then went in, and have two wickets down for 43 runs.

At the wool sales to-day 9800 bales were offered, making a total of 215,600 bales catalogued since the opening. The tone of the market showed less demand, and was occasionally easier. The withdrawals amount to 7,000 bales.

May 14.

Prince Leopold has started on his tour through Canada and the United States.

It is stated that the Chief Secretary for Ireland (the Right Hon. W. E. Forster) recommends the adoption of a policy of coercion towards Ireland, with a view of settling the difficulties which beset the Government in that country.

At the wool sales to-day 9,900 bales were offered, making a total of 225,500 bales catalogued since the opening. The tone of the market was quiet. For merino fleece and merino lambs', prices are unchanged at 2½ to 3½ lower as compared with the previous sale. The wool auctions will close on June 8th.

The cricket match between the Australian team and 18 gentlemen of Hampshire was resumed and concluded to-day. The Englishmen scored 116 in their first innings, and then followed on, scoring 113 in their second innings. The Australians thus won the match in one innings, with 21 runs to spare.

May 15.

The statement made that the Chief Secretary for Ireland recommends a policy of coercion towards Ireland is denied.

THE COUNTIES CONFERENCE.

The Conference between members of Vincent and Maniototo County Councils took place at Ophir on Tuesday last. Vincent County was represented by Messrs Pyke, Pitches, and Colclough; Maniototo, by Messrs Ewing, Rolland and Shannon. Mr Pyke was voted to the chair, and opened proceedings by stating that the Council of which he was chairman had passed a series of resolutions on the subjects proposed to be dealt with by the Conference, and he thought it would be well to take these resolutions as a basis for discussion. (The resolutions in question have already been published in this journal.) Our space forbids us publishing in detail the minutes of proceedings, which have been placed at our disposal. We regret this, as most of the speakers went straight to the point and grasped the subjects under discussion in a thoroughly practical fashion. As is already known, the leading, indeed the only, questions for deliberation by the Conference were the advancement of the Strathtaieri Railway line, and the unsuitable nature of the system under which the Government persists in offering land for settlement on the Goldfields. On both these subjects a series of resolutions were unanimously adopted by the Conference, as under:—

STRATHTAIERI RAILWAY.

Resolved: That a deputation consisting of Messrs De Lantour, Pyke, Colclough and Ewing proceed to Wellington to urge the following considerations on the Hon. the Minister of Public Works:—

That the Otago Central Railway was distinctly recognised by Parliament as one of the most necessary lines, and the construction of which ought not to be deferred.

That extensive reserves were set aside by the authority of Parliament with the object of providing funds for its construction.

That great injustice will be done to these great interior districts if the above line be not proceeded with immediately, seeing that they have derived no benefit from the lines made, and leading a short distance into the interior, and will, under the Property Tax, have to contribute towards payment of interest on an expenditure which has not benefited them in the slightest degree.

That it be strongly urged upon the Government to construct the Poolburn section of the Otago Central line, in order to provide work for the unemployed, which will have the effect of absorbing them amongst the interior settlers, as well as expediting the formation of the line.

That the attention of the Corporation of Dunedin and the Chamber of Commerce be drawn to the present position of matters in connection with the Otago Central Railway, and to the fact that its speedy construction is as important to that city as to the interior.

That copies of the resolutions arrived at by this conference be forwarded to the Municipal Council of Dunedin, and the Chamber of Commerce, also to the Taieri County Council.

LAND SYSTEM.

That the system of opening up lands, exclusively on the deferred payment system, is not adapted to the requirements of the people on the goldfields of Otago, nor best calculated to promote settlement thereon, and that the Government be urged to cause land in each block to be opened on the Agricultural Lease system.

As indicating the feeling of the Conference on the railway question, we quote a few of the remarks made by Mr Pyke:—When he asked for this railway, the proposal he made was that the land should make it. Sufficient land was set apart, and the line was approved by the House solely on account of that proposal. A remark had been made in the Press of Maniototo that it would be as well if the railway could be got as far as Hyde or the Taieri Lake, but he considered that would be of no use. He thought Vincent County was entitled to the support of Maniototo in having the line carried through to Clyde or Cromwell, and he should oppose its being carried to Kyeaburn, and there allowed to stop. If the Maniototo people got the railway as far as the Taieri Lake they would not agitate for its further construction. He would therefore insist on the Poolburn section being gone on with. There were two miles of heavy rock cutting there, which would support a large number of unemployed. The land in the vicinity was admirably adapted for special settlement, in 50-acre sections. If the Poolburn section were carried through, the Government was bound to bring the line up to connect with it. With regard to the Railway Commission, he considered they had not seen six miles of the country proposed to be traversed by the railway. He was determined, if the report was brought before Parliament, to endeavor to have it rejected. It was monstrous to endeavor to pervert the mind of Parliament in such a way. There was not one friend to the line on the Commission. When he passed this railway proposal through the House, it was understood that work should be commenced at both ends. He considered it a gross breach of faith on the part of the Government that this had not been done. Had it not been for the proposal to begin the construction at both ends he would never have brought the matter before Parliament, and if Parliament did not fulfil its intentions he would not again advocate the line. He would rather go in for a line from Queenstown to Cromwell, and would do so. He would rather see the line from Queenstown than see the Strathtaieri Railway brought up section by section. It was a well-known fact throughout the world, though the mention of it might be unpalatable, that as soon as a railway extended as far as any town, the people there did not care to have it go further. In fact they often opposed the extension. Look at Taapeka, as an instance. The Poolburn was a grand place for special settlement. He had said—and it had never been contradicted—that the end of the public works policy had been to deplete the interior of its best men. He said, now, let the Government send these men back.

The Waitaki County Council has decided that no rate shall be levied during the current year.

BOROUGH COUNCIL.

The ordinary meeting of Cromwell Borough Council was held on Friday evening. Present—The Mayor, Councillors Murrell, Stuart, Pretsch and Behrens. Minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Correspondence outward was read and approved. It was of no public interest. Inward correspondence consisted of letters from (1.) The Town Clerk, Queenstown, asking for information as to the functions, and pay of the Cromwell Borough dayman, and the system generally of sanitary oversight. (2.) Athenæum Committee requesting leave to put up a hinged shelf in Town Hall for convenience in reading newspapers, and also to place a small chess table in the room. (3.) Ex-Councillors Scott and Aitken, requesting the Council to refund them £5 5s law expenses incurred in defending their seats in the Council against an action to oust them from office at the instance of C. Colclough. (4.) From Messrs Behrens, Aitken and Sherwood, assessing value of Mr Murrell's property on section 1, block 27, at £182 6s 1d.

The Clerk was instructed to furnish the Queenstown Borough Council with all necessary information as to the dayman's duties.

Consideration of the request made by Messrs Scott and Aitken was held over till next meeting.

The application of the Athenæum Committee was acceded to, on condition that the shelf erected be in keeping with the general appearance of the hall.

With regard to the matter of Mr Murrell's valuation a lengthy discussion took place.

The Mayor said he confessed he could not see his way clear to deal with Mr Murrell's case unless it was made a general principle affecting all the occupiers of section 1, block 27. The Council should deal with all the property-owners alike and not go to work piece-meal. He must say he did not at all like the scheme, and was sure it would not meet with public approval. Although he was anxious that Mr Murrell's rent should be reduced, he would rather not act in the matter as proposed. Mr Murrell deserved some consideration, as he had a good cause of action against the Council in not getting a lease.

Cr Stuart thought the Council had committed itself by appointing valuers. It was like making a fool of the man to go back after assessing the value of his property.

The Mayor—We have not committed ourselves; we only asked if Mr Murrell would be willing to adopt a certain course.

Cr Behrens thought Mr Murrell had a grievance and that the Bench should decide the annual value of his occupation; as had been done in other cases brought before the Court.

Cr Stuart thought the Council should go in for a re-adjustment of rent on all the properties.

Cr Behrens—None of the other occupiers have complained. It will be time enough to deal with them when they complain. I move that the matter stand over for future consideration.

Cr Murrell made some remark about title to the section, when

Mr Dawkins, a ratepayer, who had several times attempted to speak, but was prevented by the Mayor, insisted that he should be allowed to speak if Cr Murrell was permitted to sit at the table and deliberate on a matter in which he was personally interested.

Cr Murrell here withdrew, and Cr Behrens motion was declared carried.

Accounts amounting to £22 15s 6d were presented and passed for payment.

The Clerk was instructed to employ labor necessary for forming Murray and Inniscort streets.

This concluded the business.

ARROWTOWN.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

May 17.

During the past week or so we have been treated to rather rough weather. Rain and wind, with a substratum of the essence of winter, have made us quite domestic, if not contented, with the exception of last Sunday week, when the wind rose to a perfect storm and made things rather lively. Kerosene tins, sheets of iron, and a variety of odds and ends filled the air, making it somewhat unsafe for wayfarers, and doing damage even to the more solid structures which the wind could not move. Although some of the gusts, as they passed over the town, gave rise to grave apprehensions of serious danger and damage, the actual injury done is but trifling.

The Gladstone cake, which was brought down from Macetown last week, is likely to mark an epoch in reefing matters at Macetown. The weight of the cake is 3670zs 10dwts, and was obtained from 93 tons of stone, thus giving nearly 40zs to the ton—the best result that has, as yet, been obtained from any crushing other than trial crushings. It will be remembered that the last cake from this company averaged only 10z per ton, which, after expectations of 30zs to 50zs to the ton, was rather disappointing to those interested. In explanation of this discrepancy, it was advanced that a considerable portion of the gold had been lost in the process of crushing, and the fact that in the stone put through for the above cake gold did not show more freely than in that of the former crushing, goes far in support of that argument. At a meeting of directors held last Thursday a dividend of 1s 6d to the share was declared, and it was further agreed

to open the vertical reef in a systematic manner, pending which work in the mine has been suspended for a short time.

The Homeward Bound Co. has now had a fair trial of the newly-erected battery, which works to the greatest satisfaction of those in charge. The alterations effected in the driving gear of the crushing machinery is also a very pronounced improvement, and places the Homeward Bound machine second to none in the province. Formerly the batteries were driven by the axle of the water-wheel, leading to frequent mishaps, whereas now the power is communicated by a segment wheel, transferring the strain to the spokes. Owing to the interruption in the crushing operations caused by these alterations, Mr J. A. Chapman, the manager of the company, informs me that he does not intend to wash up before winter, if the weather allows him to run the mill till the end of the present month.

The Ladye Fayre Company has succeeded in striking the shoot of gold they met in the upper adit. The reef is about 3 feet wide, and gold is fairly visible through the whole body of the stone.

A telegram has been received by the president of the Arrow Athenæum, Mr H. A. Stratford, from Wellington, advising him that a case of specimens and a geological map of New Zealand, to form the nucleus of a museum, had been forwarded for the benefit of the Athenæum.

The last special meeting of the Lake County Council was one of special interest to ratepayers, as well as councillors, though it ended like the baseless fabric of a vision, leaving but a wreck behind. The Council Hall was the bone of contention. It appears that a very praiseworthy attempt to embellish Queenstown by the addition of a County Hall has animated the Queenstown councillors, and as there are a number of masons out of employment in the city of the Lake, they thought to kill two birds with one stone by the promotion of a £1,000 job, the money for which is to come out of the ratepayers' pockets. Now, of course, all this is very well for Queenstown, but I think the councillors might pay some little attention to the wishes of those taxed. The embellishment of Queenstown is a matter to which the majority of ratepayers are supremely indifferent, and the furnishing of work for half-a-dozen unemployed altogether beyond the purposes for which the ratepayers are taxed. £1,000 spent virtually outside the County for a useless purpose should make men who have any conscience at all pause and consider; but then nothing is more destructive to conscience than dealings with public moneys.

Mr Finn, M.H.R., addressed his constituents last Saturday night at the Library Hall. Mr Finn was well received, and frequently applauded during his address. He gave a complete revision of last session, referred to the extravagant way in which some branches of the civil service of the colony was administered, and the wasteful manner in which the supporters of the present Government were pampered by the creation of Royal Commissions, of which there were no less than five in existence at the present time. Mr Finn also gave a resumé of his individual exertions during the session, and stated that he had faithfully adhered to the Liberal party according to his promise, and he intended to do so in the future. Should he, however, have reason to change his views on this matter, he would meet his constituents and state his reasons to them, at the same time placing his resignation in their hands, and abide by their decision. At the close of his address, Mr Finn received a vote of thanks and confidence on the motion of Mr M'Donald, which was seconded by Mr Scoles. Mr R. Pritchard presided at the meeting.

VINCENT COUNTY COUNCIL.

The County Clerk has forwarded to us copy of Order Paper of business to be transacted at the ordinary meeting of Vincent County Council, to be held at Clyde tomorrow:—

To consider the making of a rate of 1s in the £ on the value of all rateable property within the County.

ADJOURNED MOTION.

Cr Jolly to move—That £15 10s be voted to John Perriam for removing sediment off the Wanaka road and otherwise rendering the road at the Lowburn fit for traffic after the September floods.

NOTICES OF MOTION.

Cr Fraser to move—That the sum of £15 be voted for repairing road from upper Albert Town Ferry to the Hawea bridge.

Cr Jolly to move—That this Council adopt such measures as will best tend to destroy the rabbits infesting the commonages under its control.

Cr Jolly to move—That a sum not exceeding £1 be set apart for the purpose of erecting a bridge over Boundary Creek, head of Lake Wanaka, and otherwise making the track along the Lake fit for traffic.

Cr Colclough to move—That a day-man be put on the Lindis road during the winter months.

Cr Colclough to move—That this Council take the necessary steps to establish two nurseries for the growth of trees for distribution within the County—one at either end of the County.

Schedule of votes required by the Engineer for the months of June and July:—Alexandra to Speargrass, £20; Rocky Point to Hawea, £125; Clyde to Cromwell, £50; Rocky Point to Perriam's £130; Cromwell to Wanaka, £100.—Total £425.

THE NEW BRITISH MINISTRY.

As the formation of the new Liberal Government, consequence on the late general election, has now been completed, we give below a complete list of the Ministers and their offices. Readers may be reminded that the number of members comprising the Cabinet is not always the same, but may vary slightly, according to the predilections of the Premier. Tory Cabinets are generally fewer in number than Liberal Ministries. Mr Gladstone's last Cabinet (1868-74) consisted of 15 members originally, but was reduced to 14 when the Premier took the office of Chancellor of the Exchequer some time before the Government lost office. Lord Beaconsfield's late Ministry numbered 13 members. On a change of Government, besides the members of the Cabinet, the holders of lesser offices (who are all members of Parliament) are changed, members of the defeated party having to make way for their successful rivals. The Lord Lieutenant of Ireland (£20,000 a-year) is changed with the Government. The Viceroy of India (£30,000) does not always resign with the Government which appointed him, but Baron Lytton has on the present occasion resigned, is to be raised in the Peerage to an earldom, and is to be succeeded by the Marquis of Ripon. The Commander-in-Chief of the Army (Duke of Cambridge) is a member of the Government, but change of parties does not affect him. The new Government is thus composed:—

First Lord of the Treasury	Mr Gladstone
Chancellor of Exchequer	Mr Gladstone
Lord Chancellor	Baron Selborne
Lord President of Council	Earl Spencer
Lord Privy Seal	Duke of Argyll
Home Secretary	Sir William Harcourt
Foreign Secretary	Earl Granville
Colonial Secretary	Earl of Kimberley
Secretary for War	Right Hon H. Childers
Secretary for India	Marquis of Hartington
First Lord of Admiralty	Earl of Northbrook
Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster	Right Hon. J. Bright
President Local Government Board	Right Hon J. Dodson
Vice-President Committee of Council	Mr Anthony Mundella
Chief Secretary for Ireland	Rt Hon W E Forster
Postmaster-General	Mr Henry Fawcett
President Board of Trade	Mr J. Chamberlain.

Of the above list all but three (Messrs Chamberlain, Fawcett, and Mundella) are former office-holders, all except one (Mr Dodson) of many years' experience; and the majority have held their present portfolios in former administrations. Ten of the right hon. gentlemen were members of the last Liberal Government, five holding the same offices then as now. The salary of all English Cabinet Ministers—except the Lord Chancellor—is £5,000. The Lord Chancellor receives £10,000 (£6,000 as Chief Judge of the Realm, and £4,000 as President of the House of Lords.) Any Minister holding two offices draws a salary and a-half; Mr Gladstone will therefore receive £7,500 as Premier and Chancellor of the Exchequer. Under-Secretaries get £1,500 a-year.

The names enumerated are 16. Of these seven (Gladstone, Selborne, Granville, Kimberley, Northbrook, Dodson, and Fawcett) were educated at Oxford, while five (Argyle, Spencer, Harcourt, Childers, and Hartington) claim Cambridge as *alma mater*. The remaining four (Bright, Mundella, Forster, and Chamberlain) did not receive University training. There are three manufacturers (Forster, Mundella, and Bright), and three lawyers (Selborne, Harcourt, and Dodson). Eight have titles. There are one duke, one marquis, four earls, one baron, and one knight. The other eight preface their names merely with "The Right Hon. Mr." Finally the ages—natural, parliamentary, and official—both particular and average—of the new Cabinet, will be seen by the following figures:—

	Natural age	Parliamentary age	Official age
Mr Gladstone	70	46	18
Baron Selborne	68	28	7
Earl Spencer	45	23	6
Duke of Argyll	57	33	19
Sir W V Harcourt	53	12	1
Earl Granville	65	43	17
Earl Kimberley	54	34	17
Mr Childers	53	20	8
Lord Hartington	47	22	11
Earl Northbrook	54	23	20
Mr John Bright	69	37	4
Mr Dodson	55	23	2
Mr Mundella	55	23	0
Mr Forster	62	19	7
Mr Fawcett	47	15	0
Mr Chamberlain	44	4	0
Average (about)	50	24½	8½

The following are the most important facts connected with the life of the new Premier:—The Right Hon. William Ewart Gladstone, M.A., D.C.L., was born on December 29th, 1809, and is therefore in his 71st year. He first entered Parliament as a Conservative in 1832. He represented Newark 13 years (1832-45); Oxford University, 18 years (1845-67); South Lancashire, 3 years (1865-68); Greenwich, 12 years (1868-80); and now sits for Midlothian, having been elected for that constituency as well as Leeds. Mr Gladstone first held office as early as 1834, beginning as a junior lord of the Treasury, and since then has occupied a number of different official positions, being now Chancellor of the Exchequer for the sixth time, and Premier for the second time. Of Mr Gladstone's vast talents, abilities, learning, and genius of statesmanship there is no more question among either his friends or enemies than there is as to the merits of Shakespeare as a poet; but while his extreme partisans hold the right hon. gentleman to be almost infallible,

his more violent opponents contend that his marvellous gifts are invariably misused. As usual, the truth lies midway. Mr Gladstone is a statesman, writer, and orator of whom the nation will never cease to be proud as long as it exists. He has not during the last few years invariably preserved that dignified position usually looked for in one who had been for six years virtual ruler of the greatest nation on earth, but this slight aberration will be forgotten, and only the great and imperishable services he has done will be remembered. Mr Gladstone is a typical English statesman and politician of the very highest class, is the best living orator of the English-speaking race, is admittedly the ablest financier in Europe, while his vast classical and indeed encyclopædic knowledge and literary ability are alone sufficient to give his name immortality. He is a member of a number of learned bodies both British and Foreign.

Original Correspondence.

[We do not identify ourselves with the opinions expressed by correspondents.]

THE COUNTY BANKING ACCOUNT.

To the Editor of THE CROMWELL ARGUS.

As your correspondent "County Ratepayer" very properly requires information as to the reason why the County account is not expected to afford interest during the current year, and as both the Chairman and the "Treasurer" make it an occasion to censure my conduct in their very lame replies, it affords me some satisfaction to give your readers what information I am possessed of, in the full assurance that a discriminating public will know on whose head the responsibility rests.

I may at once state that I accept the responsibility of the Council's action in closing the bank account, for after two efforts to obtain a majority (against the wily sophistries of the Chairman) I ultimately succeeded.

It is now a matter of history, which would be unprofitable to repeat, how the contract for the bank account was originally obtained—suffice it to say that the details will not stand the light of impartial enquiry.

It had been already ventilated that the bank was not likely to keep the contract if the monetary pressure which existed at the period (six months past) should continue, and whether this idea was a *ruse* to induce the Council to continue the contract, or whether it was actually true, the consequence was that the Council simply forestalled the bank in giving notice of termination.

When it was resolved to open the account to competition it was known that the banks were precluded from tendering, in the ordinary acceptation of the term, although they saved what consciences they possessed by each professing willingness (I may say anxiety) to come to a "favorable arrangement." Accordingly they all declined to tender, but all offered to arrange. Consequently, until some arrangement shall have been arrived at, the account will stand as any ordinary private account.

Now, with the above facts, what is the first idea which suggests itself to any ordinary mind? Simply that the Council should make "favorable arrangements," with the view of obtaining better terms than their ordinary customers. That is exactly what the Chairman *will not do*, and while he maintains that attitude he must expect to be charged with evincing a lesser desire to do his duty than to hold up to censure his adversaries who dared to carry a motion contrary to his wish. It follows, however, that until genuine efforts be made and fail to secure favorable arrangements, the Chairman need guard himself from public censure—not cast it on others. Who, knowing the Chairman as we all know him, will ever believe that he will make genuine efforts in the direction indicated, after having put his Napoleonic foot down and said "No"? Therefore, we must do without our interest.

Again, Mr Editor, the Chairman declines to put any portion of the £7,000 balance to fixed deposit, on the plea that it will probably be required in six months, while he avoids acknowledging the possibility of any further revenue accruing in the same period. Were the Chairman to treat his private money in the same way people would say he were mad. Would he not have it placed in £100 separate deposits, and why not adopt that plan with the Council's funds, and an item for interest will appear in future balance-sheets. I would finally point out that the Chairman, to make his case against me look well, states £300 as loss of interest, yet I find that last year interest only amounted to £165 3s 7d, while if the present bank balance is likely to evaporate so quickly I fail to discover what interest we can lose on an account with "no funds."

When the Treasurer (?) blandly enquired of the Chairman why no interest appeared in the statement, he fired a bullet adroitly compounded by the Chairman, exhibiting ignorance of his (the Treasurer's) duties, and affording "County Ratepayer" an opportunity of analysing the missile, to find obstinacy and malice therein, without any trace of a desire for conserving the County funds.—I am, &c.,

CHAS. COLCLOUGH.

Cromwell, May 17th.

W. Shaw, ex-rate collector at Napier (Hawkes Bay) has been committed for trial on charges of arson and embezzlement.

T. W. Wills, the well-known Australian cricketer, committed suicide at Heidelberg, Victoria, on 2nd inst., by stabbing himself with a pair of scissors. It appears that for some time past the deceased had been drinking heavily, but on April 28th he was placed under restraint, and a person was appointed to watch him. This man, shortly after 1 o'clock on 2nd inst, left him to get his dinner, and in the interim deceased possessed himself of a pair of scissors, and, despite the exertions of his wife, who endeavored to prevent him, stabbed himself three times in the left breast in the region of the heart. The external hemorrhage was very slight, but the wounds were fatal, death taking place in a very short time.

DUNEDIN GOSSIP.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

May 13.

We have winter now apparently fairly upon us, for during the past week the temperature has been remarkably low. And Dunedin in cold wintry weather is not the most comfortable of dwelling places.

News has been received here of the death of Mr James Macassey in Adelaide. He had gone over to Australia for a spell. His death appears to have been sudden, for from Melbourne, whence the last letters had come from him, he wrote that he was improving in health. Mr Macassey divided pride of place with Mr James Smith as the best of our civil lawyers. Criminal business he rarely undertook; he did not like it. But in the deep, searching argument of civil law he was thoroughly in his element. Some of his addresses to juries were models of clearness and force, while there was always a *souperon* of wit and humour about his most important speeches that rendered them a treat to listen to. He had a halting delivery, with an interrupting kind of short cough or clearing of the throat, until he got warm; and then often his eloquence was marked. He was admittedly the "neatest" hand at addressing a jury in New Zealand—quiet, gentlemanly, and humorous, at the same time forcible, keen, argumentative, and often wonderfully satirical. None knew better than he the need of not tiring his jury, and he hit the happy moment when to stop with an intuitiveness that often did him excellent service. No jury ever voted an address by Mr Macassey a bore. Many even of our smartest lawyers descend to little tricks to make points with a jury. When an opponent is making his address, they indulge in audible running comments intended to lessen the effect of the points he may be making; if they have occasion to "roast" one of the parties to the suit, as they do so they cast scornful withering glances at him; they are fond of short, satirical laughs at portions of evidence or argument that may be going against them. Messrs Denniston and Stout, of Dunedin lawyers, are highly prone to that kind of thing. Not so Mr Macassey. Even Mr Smith occasionally gives way to the habit, although he is not a great sinner; but Mr Macassey never did. He heard an opponent's address in utter unconcern, often apparently reading; and if he had to interrupt he did so to the Court, never to the jury. It was the style of the man; like all the greatest orators and actors he had no platform or stage tricks. Of course he had his mannerism, but none of it was designedly created to seek effect. To the Court and to opposing counsel he was always most respectful and decorous. He might and did often say stinging things, both to Court and counsel, but he never descended to anything like bounce or undignified retort. Indeed the word dignity is best descriptive of his manner. How often even in our higher Courts do the two counsel and the judge get into wrangling debates, all speaking together, and each trying to speak loudest. In the lower Courts this is an everyday sin, and strikes an observer as excessively ridiculous. Such a thing was not possible with Mr Macassey. He never forgot himself. Not that he was not pertinacious. Baffled at one point, in such a matter for instance as getting in evidence, he had the knack of apparently abandoning his object, but it was delightful to see how in a fresh form he would again raise his point in a new connection and with an entirely new set of arguments. No one was so clever as himself in tracing out precedents, and with an excellent memory he would put his hands upon them without a fault as his case proceeded. And seldom indeed did he annoy the Court by quoting cases of no relevancy. His mind was too clear and logical for mistakes of that kind. Indeed as a pleader, and in that respect only does my knowledge of him enable me to speak, he was a model for rising lawyers. He had a supremely facile command of language, using always exactly the word to express his meaning. He was not, I believe, a deeply read man, although unquestionably he had an extensive knowledge of current literature. And no man at the Dunedin bar so often or so appositely brought in quotations and similes from the most generally read authors, his memory standing him in good stead in this respect. He was a young man, one may say, dying at 38, and he had a noble career before him to all appearance. Amongst the lawyers' ranks, his death leaves a blank in all sincerity, for he was one of a very few in New Zealand who stood head and shoulders above their fellows at the Colonial bar.

Mr Macassey was a failure as a politician; indeed he never obtained a fair chance of distinguishing himself in that line. He was, perhaps, the most frequently rejected man as a candidate in the colony. In social movements he was not much known. He was of a reserved and unbending manner. Almost the only occasion on which I can remember him coming out socially was at the O'Connell centenary dinner. His speech on that occasion—I think the principal one of the evening—was acknowledged to be a grand effort. He took some part in church matters, and was an Episcopalian. At the last Diocesan Synod, in particular, he distinguished himself by some of the happiest, most eloquent speeches it has been my lot to listen to. The Church of England here was just at that time in a highly critical and inflammatory state. During the absence of Bishop Neville at Home, the Standing Committee, as the managing body is known, and himself had had an angry, bitter correspondence, in which blame was freely charged on both sides. The Bishop had just returned, and although both he and

the committee had a wish to let bygones be bygones, and to set the seal upon all past differences, yet so much soreness remained that at any moment an unguarded expression or a careless insinuation would have re-opened the breach most likely beyond any healing. Everyone knows how easily two parties, sore at each other, and each confident of justice on his side, may with all the best intentions as to renewal of amity, succeed in an attempt to settle things amicably only in making their differences wider. Under these conditions the Bishop and his Synod met. Mr Macassey took upon himself the task of pacificator, and in a perfectly noble speech so delicately skimmed over the simmering pot of almost irreconcilable ingredients as to leave it free to both parties, without loss of dignity on the one side or waiving of privileges on the other, to shake hands. As will be remembered also Mr Edwards resigned his Archdeaconate, as a result of these differences, and it was only after Mr Macassey's speech that he felt the way open to him to withdraw his resignation. The Church of England, therefore, owed to Mr Macassey a deep debt of gratitude for what he did on that occasion. A wide breach between the Bishop and his flock was imminent. Mr Macassey set himself to avert it, and with the most perfect tact and judicious utterances, he gained his point. The Bishop was not slow, to his credit be it said, to acknowledge the service, and with much feeling he complimented Mr Macassey most warmly; as indeed did many other members of the Synod, both clergy and laity.

I am afraid I have gone to a greater length than I intended about the deceased gentleman, but he was a man of mark in our midst, and the news of his death came as a great surprise. Perhaps a reference to him may not after all be uninteresting to your readers, for he was known to the Wakatipu district as an unsuccessful aspirant for parliamentary honors, as well as in other ways.

Mr J. S. Webb, a gentleman extremely well-known in commercial and political circles, is reported among the missing. It is not yet exactly known whether any of the societies with which he was connected are sufferers by his default, but I hear some unfortunates who purchased land from him about the suburbs will have difficulty in proving their title to what they have paid for. Of course he was connected with a building society. Everybody apparently who goes "crooked" in Dunedin begins by getting the accounts of a building society into a mess. More particulars are expected in a few days, when the societies have had time to look up their accounts.

The Police Court has had its time occupied with a couple of cases in which disgrace more or less attaches to the parties concerned. John Conway, the well-known Victorian cricketer, had to answer to a charge of assaulting the police; and along with him his friend, Fitzolarence Roberts, an elderly individual who attempts to come the "young man about town," was also charged with attempting to rescue Conway from the hands of the police as they were taking him to the lock-up. The police version of the affair, if it were true, was highly discreditable to Conway. He was stated, upon the provocation of a constable having civilly spoken to him on a Sunday morning about half-past one o'clock, to have knocked the constable down, jumped upon his chest with his knees, and otherwise knocked him about. Happily a second constable came to the rescue of the first—a man of a different stamp, who was, as it happened, able to give Conway the rough handling necessary to successfully get him as far as the lock-up. Roberts, who was with Conway, attempted on the way to the watch-house to get him from the police, but, in addition to being arrested, received from Conway, who was struggling violently, a kick on the shin that caused him to nurse his leg in the watch-house in the most comical way. Paramor, also a cricketer, was with the other two, but on the approach of the constable he made a convenient disappearance up a right-of-way. Conway and Roberts denied *in toto* what was imputed to them by the police, and declared the constable was entirely the aggressor. The Bench, of whom Mr Isaac Newton Watt was the brighter and more shining light, disbelieved Roberts' cath about not attempting to rescue Conway, but in the most illogical way gave his testimony weight as to which of the two—Conway or the constable—was the aggressor. The unshot was that Roberts was fined £5, and Conway got off scot free. The Bench said that they the more readily let Conway off because if they had found him guilty they should have had to sentence him to a couple of months with hard labor. Such a sentence would have been ridiculous. It means far more to a man in Conway's grade of life than to a rough-and-ready navy sort of man. What would have been a sufficient punishment would have been a heavy fine, and, more than all, some severe remarks from the Bench that would go forth to the public broadcast. A very good way is thus afforded of punishing a man like Conway, and if the facts stated by the police were true it is a pity some such course was not taken.

Another case was that of "Howlett v. Herbert," for assault. Howlett is almost as well known through writing ridiculous, conceited letters to the papers as J. G. S. Grant; Herbert is better known as "Kosmos." Both are of the "haw-haw" order, with great pretensions to excessive aristocracy and breeding. The two had a row—over what does not now matter; and as an outcome Herbert, catching Howlett one morning in Watson's, the eternal resort of Dunedin's young bloods, took him by the collar, lifted him out of his chair, and—aw

—caned him—aw. Howlett took it in a lamblike fashion, though scarcely in an aristocratic or even manly way, for he admitted he had had enough when the caning was finished, and resorted to a summons—the resort of the base-born—for satisfaction. "Kosmos" had to pay £3 and 30s expenses, and probably enough would be glad to give Howlett another "caning" to-morrow on the same terms. Poor Howlett has decidedly had the worst of it. He is the sort of fellow who boasts a great deal about being a public school boy from England, but has not sustained the reputation.

The Carandinis have been entertaining us again. Since the days, fifteen or sixteen years ago, when Madame, with Rosina and Fanny, first paid Dunedin a visit, the family have been favorites. What a sensation those two young ladies then created! All the male youth and beauty of Dunedin was at their feet, with their "Trust her not," and other roguish songs. Madame, who sings "The Last Rose of Summer" as well as ever she did, has but one daughter with her now, Miss Marie, a tall, graceful young lady, that fittingly keeps up the family reputation in the matter of good looks.

The late Mr Hepworth Dixon on the Queen.

The last paragraphs of the concluding volume of "Royal Windsor," which Mr Hepworth Dixon had just completed before his death, are as follows:—"The central figure in this family group is veiled. The veil is not without a silver lining, but the veil is here; a habit of the mind as well as of the physical frame. No great emotion should be seen too near. To read the story of such a loss we need some help from time and space. When Queen Victoria has become to the descendants of her people what Queen Elizabeth is to us; when all the trifles of our time are gone, and only the realities left, the story of her love, her happiness, her loss, will be a favorite theme of poets, artists, and story-tellers. Faith that knows no limit, constancy that clings like life, are not of every age. What will the writers of a coming day, who take this theme for tale and idyll, have to tell? They will draw the picture of a young and fatherless girl, called, while in her teens, to occupy the greatest throne on earth; who had to take her place at the head of a great society, with little or no support from her immediate kin. They will paint her grandeur and her loneliness in a station which allows no sharer and admits no friend. They will show the Saxon prince who came to her and made himself a part of her; then, in line on line, the story of their lives will be unrolled; years of domestic bliss, broken at length by a sudden snap in the very noon-tide of their married joy. Then may come the pathetic sequel of a sorrow which knows no change, which draws away from the haunts of men, which lays down much of the pomp of Royal state, and gives up all the vanities of the world—not in old age, when blood is said to be cold, but in the flush of life, when all the tides of emotion are running high—to nurse in solitude a deep and tender sentiment of personal faith. Millions will dwell with fondness on this story of a human heart, in which the woman rises to a higher throne than that of Queen."


The Auckland *Star*, speaking of the large defalcations by the teller of the Bank of New South Wales, amounting to between £300 and £400, says that fresh attention has been drawn to the refusal of one or two banks in the city to allow the teller to initial deposit slips. But for that practice is the great difficulty in sheeting home the effence. Assuming that a merchant sends his clerk to pay £100 into the bank till; no receipt is issued, and the merchant, finding the money has not gone to his credit, seeks an explanation. The teller thereupon denies all knowledge of the deposit, and declares that if it was sent at all the clerk must have stuck to it. Who then is to determine between them? We have the word of the clerk against that of the teller. The objection raised to the system of duplicate deposit slips by those banks which refuse to recognise this mode of acknowledgement has never been very clearly stated.

The serious depression which has so long existed in every industry throughout this district has not been lost sight of by W. TALBOYS, who happily has been in a position to mitigate the evil to some extent by selling his Drapery and other Stock at prices lower than ever. By judicious cash purchases while the market was favorable, the proprietor of London House secured large stocks of splendid goods for spring and summer wear, and which he is enabled to dispose of at prices never before known in Cromwell. Every article of its kind is good and substantial, and will be found full value. Call and inspect before purchasing.—W. TALBOY'S London House, Cromwell.—[Adv.]

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V.  R.
N O T I C E.
The ELECTORAL ROLL for the District of Dunstan for the year 1880-81 is kept at my office, Court House, Clyde, for PUBLIC INSPECTION.

ARTHUR D. HARVEY,
Registrar of Electors for District of Dunstan.
Registrar's Office, Clyde, 1st May, 1880.

V.  R.
N O T I C E.

In pursuance of the 14th Section of the Licensing Act, 1873, Amendment Act, 1874, I Hereby Give Notice that the Quarterly LICENSING MEETING for the District of Cardrona will be held on FRIDAY, the 25th day of June, 1880, at PEMBROKE, at the hour of Noon, for the purpose of taking into consideration all Applications for Certificates for such Licenses as are authorised to be granted at the said meeting of the Licensing Court, and the Transfer or Renewal or Removal of Licenses, of which due notice shall have been given to me, for the aforesaid district in which the premises in respect of which the application is made are situated respectively.

JAMES FLEMING,
Clerk to Licensing Court.
Office of Clerk to Licensing Court, Arrowtown, April 12th, 1880.

V.  R.
N O T I C E.

In pursuance of the 14th section of the Licensing Act, 1873, Amendment Act, 1874, I Hereby Give Notice that the Quarterly LICENSING MEETING for the Districts of Cromwell Town and Cromwell District will be held on TUESDAY, the 1st day of June, 1880, in the Court-House, Cromwell, at the hour of Noon, for the purpose of taking into consideration all Applications for Certificates for such Licenses as are authorised to be granted at the said Meeting of the Licensing Court, and the Transfer or Renewal or Removal of Licenses, of which due notice shall have been given to me, for the aforesaid district in which the premises in respect of which the application is made are situated respectively.

S. MEAD DALGLIESH,
Clerk to Licensing Court.
Office of Clerk to Licensing Court, Cromwell, April 23rd, 1880.

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